

CURBSIDE SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING CONTRACT

The Board of Selectmen has spent February and March working to negotiate a new contract for the curbside collection of solid waste and recycling since learning that Carl Hussey (Cape Disposal) would not be able to fulfill the contract requirements previously agreed. An RFP was drafted and posted, with three respondents submitting bids.

These bids were publicly opened on February 28th; with time then spent reviewing, comparing, and checking references. Selectmen met with the two lowest bidders and made a final decision on March 18th to award this contract to Waste Management of New Hampshire, Inc.

Waste Management will assume the contract as of April 1, 2008 and will begin collection on Wednesday April 2nd and Thursday April 3rd. One of our reasons for choosing this proposal was its affordability combined with Waste Management's previous collection experience in the Town of Fremont. Secondly, this contract will allow the Town an option to move to a "toter" or cart type of collection, which was discussed favorably at Town Meeting.

We do anticipate that there may be some questions during this transition, and encourage you to call the Waste Management Customer Service Center at 1-800- 847-5303 with any questions. We ask that you please be patient as both the Town and Waste Management acclimate to this change in services.

Furthermore Waste Management will be sending a flyer to all residents in the coming 2 to 3 months, further explaining the future implementation of the cart system in greater detail. At that time Waste Management will also outline a slight change in the collection schedule (moving Wednesday collections to Friday). Until this time all collection schedules and services will remain the same. Please watch your mail carefully for this information from Waste Management. Another article will be published in the May Newsletter with additional updates, you may also visit the towns website; www.Fremont.nh.gov and check the Recycling Page.

Thank you very much for your patience and cooperation as we work through these changes.